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For: FRESNEL LENS AND TRANSLUCENT TYPE SCREEN, AND REAR PROJECTION
TYPE DISPLAY APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure provisions of 37 CFR § 1.56, there is hereby provided certain information which the Examiner may consider material to the examination of the subject U.S. patent application. It is requested that the Examiner make this information of record if it is deemed material to the examination of the subject application.

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